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TECHNICAL INFORMATION LINEAR MINIATURE GUIDES



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Product overview

Linear guide system in miniature sizes suitable for applications with limited space. Typical application areas are pharmaceutical and electronic industries. The rails are available in a wide and a narrow version with sizes ranging from 2 mm to 15 mm. The slider blocks come in two versions. The ZUE-version has reinforcement plate and integrated lubrication. Both blocks and rails are manufactured of stainless steel. The sliders have two ball rows and have a high load capacity in relation to its size.

The miniature rail guides are designed to manage dusty environments and it has a built-in grease sealing.

Characteristics

- · Integrated ball-retainer restrict the balls from falling out of the block before assembly
- Unique ball re-circulation design
- The steel reinforcement plate (ZUE only) ensures sturdy assembly and a longer product lifespan
- Lubrication storage which requires less lubricant.
- Made from heat treated stainless steel
- Built-in bottom seal (ZUE)
- Available in three accuracy grades

Application areas

- Pharmaceutical industry
- Electronic industry







System description

Dust proof design

The standard end seal design can be hermetically sealed and dustproofed. This extends the product lifespan, reduces lubrication grease consumption, and ensures a long-lasting lubrication effect. The special seal slip design also ensures a low friction force so as not to affect the product's running smoothness.



Sealing and reinforcement

ZUE series - end seal, bottom seal, reinforcing plate and lubrication pad

The newly designed bottom seal protects lubrication grease from spilling below the runner block. With our built-in lubrication pad, an additional grease saving effect is attained, further prolonging our product's relubrication timeframe. The new design is recommended for priority purchase.



Embedded inverse hook design for reinforced mechanical integration

When the runner block is in motion and changing direction, the circulating stainless steel balls inside the raceway generate impact force against the plastic end cap. As the demand for rapid motion in the automation industry has increased, these blocks have inverse plastic hooks to tightly secure our miniature blocks by effectively distributing the applied stress over a larger area.

The design is suitable for:

- High speed belt driven mechanisms
- High speed carrier designs
- Automation linkage between stations



High load and high moment capacity

The MR Miniature Linear Guide Series is designed using two rows of recirculating balls. The design uses a Gothic profile with a 45° contact angle to achieve an equal load capacity in all directions. Within the restriction of limited space, larger stainless steel balls are used to enhance load and torsion resistance capacity.



Under equal widthed rails, the black line indicates that our linear guides provide greater surface contact compared to competing products (indicated with the red-dotted line).

Length of rail

Butt-jointing is required when lengths exceed Lmax. For more detailed information, please contact Rollco technical support.



Standard type

Size	Standard length of one rail	Pitch	L2, L3 min.	L2, L3 max.	LO max.
3M	30 / 40 / 50	10	3	5	300
5M	40 / 55 / 70 / 85 / 100	15	3	10	1000
7M	Cut to length	15	3	10	1000
9M	Cut to length	20	4	20	1000
12M	Cut to length	25	4	20	1000
15M	Cut to length	40	4	35	1000

Wide type

Size	Standard length of one rail	Pitch	L2, L3 min.	L2, L3 max.	LO max.
2W	30 / 40 / 50	10	3	5	300
3W	40 / 55 / 70	15	3	10	1000
5W	Cut to length	20	4	15	1000
7W	Cut to length	30	3	25	1000
9W	Cut to length	30	4	25	1000
12W	Cut to length	40	4	35	1000
15W	Cut to length	40	4	35	1000

Precision

Accuracy

MR miniature linear guide series have three accuracy grades (P,H,N) for your choice.

Accuracy grades (µm)



		Precision P	High H	Normal N
Admissible height H dimension Tolerance	Н	± 10	± 20	± 40
Height variation for different runner blocks on the same rail position	ΔH	7	15	25
Admissible width W dimension tolerance	W2	± 15	± 25	± 40
Width variation for different runner blocks on the same rail position	ΔW2	10	20	30

Speed

The maximum speed for the standard MR-SS type is: Vmax = 3 m/s

Maximum acceleration:

amax = 250 m/s²

(If preload is at VO, capability of reaching $40m/s^2$)

The maximum speed for the standard MR-ZUE type is: Vmax = 5 m/s

Maximum acceleration **amax = 300 \text{ m/s}^2** (If preload is at VO, capable of reaching 60 m/s^2)



Preload

The MR Miniature Linear Guide series has three degrees of preload capacity: VO, VS and V1 (as described in the preload table below). Appropriate preload levels can enhance the stiffness, precision, and torsion resistance performance of the linear guide. But an inappropriate application thereof can also negatively affect the product life and its motional resistance levels.

Droload type	Madal codo			Amplication				
Preioad type	Model code	3	5	7	9	12	15	Application
Clearance	VO	+3 - 0	+3 - 0	+4 - 0	+4 - 0	+5 - 0	+6 - 0	Very smooth
Standard	VS	+1 - 0	+1 - 0	+2 - 0	+2 - 0	+2 - 0	+3 - 0	Smooth and high precision
Light preload	V1	00.5	01	03	04	05	06	High rigidity Minimizes vibration High precision Load balance

Operating temperature

The MR Miniature Linear Guide can operate in a range of temperatures from $-40^{\circ}C^{-} + 80^{\circ}C$. For short term operation, it can reach up to $+100^{\circ}C$.

Lubrication

Function

When operating the linear guide under sufficient lubrication conditions, a one-micron layer of oil forms at the contact zone, separating the loaded rolling components and the raceway.

Sufficient lubrication will:

- Reduce friction
- Reduce wear
- Reduce corrosion
 Dissipate heat and increase service life

Lubrication caution

- ZUE Lubrication Storage block
 - 1. The block already contains lubricants which can be directly installed on the machine, without the need for additional washing.
 - 2. When first washing the blocks, please do not soak them in the lubricant before both the detergent and cleaning naphtha within are totally dry. The block is ready for installation only after the lubrication storage is full of the lubricant.
- The linear guide must be lubricated for protection before first time use. Contaminants of any kind, weather liquid or solid, should be avoided.
- The runner block should be moved back and forth during lubrication.
- The lubricant can be added either manually or automatically directly onto the rail raceway.
- The lubricant can be injected into the lubrication holes on either end of the runner block.
- A thin layer of observable lubricant should be maintained on the surface of the rail .
- Re-lubrication must be completed before contamination or discoloration of the lubricant occurs.
- Please notify us if product is intended for use in acidic, alkaline, or clean room applications.
- Please contact Rollco technical department for lubrication assistance if the runner block is intended for use in a wall mount configuration.
- The re-lubrication interval must be shortened if the travel stroke is < 2 or > 15 times the length of the steel body of the runner block.

Grease lubrication

When grease lubrication is applied, we recommend synthetic oil-based lithium soap grease with a viscosity between ISO VG32-100.

Oil lubrication

For oil lubrication, we recommend synthetic oils CLP, CGLP (based on DIN 51517) or HLP (based on DIN 51524) with a viscosity range of between ISO VG32-100 and a working temperature range between 0°C~+70°C. We recommend ISO VG10 for use in lower temperature environments.

Re-lubrication

- Re-lubrication shall be applied before the lubricant in the block is contaminated or changes color.
- The amount of the lubricant applied should be 1/2 of the first lubrication. When applying lubricant, this should be done until it seeps out from the device.
- Re-lubrication shall be applied under steady operating temperature, with the runner block moved back and forth throughout for optimum distribution.
- If the stroke is smaller than twice or greater than 15 times the steel body length of the block, the re-lubrication interval shall be shortened.

Model code	First lubrication (cm ³)	Model code	First lubrication (cm ³)
-	-	2 WL	0.03
3 MN	0.02	3 WN	0.03
3 ML	0.03	3 WL	0.04
5 MN	0.03	5 WN	0.04
5 ML	0.04	5 WL	0.05
7 MN	0.12	7 WN	0.19
7 ML	0.16	7 WL	0.23
9 MN	0.23	9 WN	0.30
9 ML	0.30	9 WL	0.38
12 MN	0.41	12 WN	0.52
12 ML	0.51	12 WL	0.66
15 MN	0.78	15 WN	0.87
15 ML	1.05	15 WL	1.11

Re-lubrication interval

The re-lubrication interval depends on individual use, as the speed, load, stroke length and operating environment are all factors. Careful observation of rails and blocks is the basis to determine the optimal re-lubrication interval; as a rule of thumb, re-lubricate at least once per year. Do not apply water-based coolant liquid on the linear rails or slide. Inject lubricant through injection holes on both ends of the runner block with the recommended cpc brand injector.

Lubrication grease

- 00 For general applications
- 01 For low-friction, low-noise applications
- 02 For clean room applications
- 03 For clean room and vacuum environment applications
- 04 For high-speed applications
- 05 For micro-oscillation applications

Lubrication oil

11 For general applications, ISO V32-68





Friction

The MR Miniature Linear Guide Series has low-friction characteristics with a stable and minor starting friction.

Sealing design

The MR Miniature Linear Guide Series are enclosed by end seals on both ends of the runner block. Optional side seals can also create an all-around sealing system.

MR size	Friction of end sea	l under lubrication	Existion		
	м	w	Friction		
2	0.08	0.2			
3	0.08	0.2	F _m = μ • F(1)		
5	0.08	0.2	F Load (N)		
7	0.1	0.4	F _m Friction (N)		
9	0.1	0.8			
12	0.4	1.0	The MR Miniature Linear Guide Series friction factor is		
15	1.0	1.0	αρρ μ = 0.002-0.005		

Friction factors

- Sealing system.
- Collision between the balls during operation.
- Collision between the balls and the return path.
- Number of balls in the gothic arch load zone.
- Resistance from lubricant to ball pressure.
- Resistance caused by contaminants.

Load capacity and rating life

Static load rating C₀

Measuring the static load of the travel force along the acting direction, the maximum stress between the rolling balls and raceway is as follows:

If the curvature radius is lower or equal to 0.52: 4200 MP If the curvature radius is equal or higher to 0.6: 4600 MP $\,$

Note: Under maximum stress levels, a permanent deformation will be generated at the contact point. This corresponds roughly to about 0.0001 times the rolling element diameter. (The above is according to ISO 14728-2)

Static load safety factor calculation			
Operation condition	So	$S_0 = C_0 / P_0$	(11)
Normal operation	1 - 2	$S_0 = M_0 / M$	(12)
Load with vibration or impact	2 - 3	$P_0 = F_{max}$	(13)
High accuracy and smooth running	≥ 3	$M_0 = M_{max}$	(14)

Static load Po and moment Mo

The permissible static and applied static load of the MR Miniature Linear Guide Series is limited by:

The static load of the linear guide. The permissible load of fixed screws. The permissible load for the connected parts of the mechanism. The static load safety factor required for the application.

The equivalent static load and static torque are the largest load and torque, please consult with formulas (13)

Static load safety factor So

In order for the linear bearing to permanently withstand potential deformation while delivering a guaranteed accuracy and reliable motion, the static load safety factor should be calculated with formulas (11) and (12).

SO static load safety factor

and (14).

- CO basic static load in acting direction N
- PO equivalent static load in acting direction N
- MO basic static moment in acting direction Nm
- M equivalent static moment in acting direction Nm

Dynamic load rating C_{100B}

For constant sized and directional loads, when the linear bearing is under such a load, the rating life of a linear guide can reach a theoretical travel distance of 100km. (The above is according to ISO 14728-1.)

Rating life calculation				
	L	=	rating life for 100,000 meter travel distance	(m)
$C_{50B} = 1.26 \cdot C_{100B}$ (2)	L _h	=	rating life in hours	(h)
$C_{100B} = 0.79 \cdot C_{50B}$ (3)	C _{100B}	=	dynamic load rating	(N)
$I = \left(\frac{C_{100B}}{C_{100B}}\right)^3 \cdot 10^5 $ (4)	Ρ	=	equivalent load	(N)
	S	=	length of stroke	(m)
$L_{h} = \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot s \cdot n \cdot 60}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{v_{m} \cdot 60}\right) (5)$	n	=	stroke repetition	(min ⁻¹)
	v _m	=	average speed	(m/min)

Rating life L

90% survival rate for an individual linear guide or a batch of identical linear guides in standard product material and operation conditions is calculated as above (according to ISO 14728-1 standards). When using the 50km travel standard, the dynamic load rating will exceed the ISO 14728-1 standard value by 20% or more. Formula (2) describes the relationship between the two load ratings.

Calculation of rating life

Formulas (4) and (5) can be used when the equivalent dynamic load and the average speeds are constant.

Equivalent dynamic load and speed

If the load and speed are not constant, it is important to take into account the actual load and speed as both will influence life expectancy.

Equivalent dynamic load

If there is a change in load only, the equivalent dynamic load can be calculated according to formula (6).

Equivalent speed

If there is a change in speed only, the equivalent speed can be calculated according to formula (7). If there are changes in both load and speed, the equivalent dynamic load can be calculated according to formula (8).



Combined equivalent dynamic load

If the linear guide bears the load from arbitrary angels so that the acting force does not conform to horizontal and vertical directions, its equivalent dynamic load is calculated as shown on formula (9).

Under the condition with the moment

If the linear guide bears the load and the moment simultaneously, its equivalent dynamic load is calculated with formula (10). According to ISO 14728-1, when equivalent dynamic load tolerance rates below $\leq 0.5C$, $P \leq C_0m$, a realiable product life value can be calculated.

Single block bearing the moment

For a given structure, if the block needs to bear torque moments from Mp and My directions, the maximum moment that the block can withstand while still maintain smooth running conditions measures at about 0.3-0.1 times the static moment rating. The higher the preload, the higher the loading value and vice versa.

In the case of any design questions, please contact Rollco.

Line charts



 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{F}_{s1} \sim \mathsf{FS2} : \text{screw fixation} \\ \mathsf{F}_{f1} \sim \mathsf{Ff2} : \text{frictional resistance} \\ \mathsf{F}_{f} = \mathsf{F}_{s} \bullet \mu_{o} \end{array}$

As can be seen from the three diagrams in Figure A to Figure D, when subjected to upward, downward and lateral loads, the force flow will be distributed to the two ball transfer.



As shown in the two diagrams in Figures E and F, the load acting on the 45-degree angle has the greatest effect on the system's life because the transfer of force is limited to a single row of balls.

When the load is applied horizontally or vertically (0°, 90°, 180°, 270°), the equivalent load of the slide is equal to the actual load. When the load angle is 45, its equivalent load is approximately 1.414 times that of the main direction.

When the same load is at different angles, the comparison of equation and the actual equivalence load is as shown in the following figure.

Therefore, in order to increase the service life of the linear system, it should be installed in the appropriate direction to bear the load. Otherwise, the service life will be greatly reduced, as shown in the figure below. Since the relationship between life and load is as the power of formula (8), when the acceptance angle is 45°, the service life will be significantly reduced.

The following is the life L comparison chart (in %) for different angles under the same load.

load



value of the equivalent load



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Customization requirements

The meaning of suffix characters:

- J = Slide rail connection
- G = Customer designated lubricant
- I = With inspection report
- R = Special process for rail
- B = Special processing for block
- S = Special straightness requirements for rail
- C3 = Cap M3
- C4 = Cap M4

J: Slide rail connection

When the required length of rail exceeds the standard rail length, a butt-joint can be specified. The rail buttjoint indication is marked as illustrated below.



G: Customer designated lubricant

According to application environment.

GN: No lubricant

GC: Low dust generation

Suitable for clean room environments.

I: With Inspection report

Please contact technical support.

R: Special process for rail

For special process requirements, please contact Rollco technical support.



B: Special processing for block

For special process requirements, please contact technical support.



S: Special straightness requirements for rail

The straightness of the linear guide rail is specially calibrated by precision fine grinding.

C3: CapM3

Applies to MR9M, MR12M, MR15M, MR7W & MR9W rails.

C4: CapM4

Applies to MR12W, MR15W rails.



Height and chamfer of reference edge

To avoid interference, the corner of the reference edge should have a chamfer. If not, please refer to the following table for the height of the reference edge corner and the height of the reference edge.



Height and chamfer of the reference surface

Cinc.	h2	r2max	r1max	S	S	ZU	JE
Size				h1	E	h1	E
3M	1.5	0.3	0.1	0.8	1	-	-
5M	1.9	0.3	0.2	1.1	1.3	0.7	1.0
7M	2.8	0.3	0.2	1.2	1.4	-	-
9M	3	0.3	0.2	1.8	2.1	1.1	1.5
12M	4	0.5	0.3	2.6	2.9	1.7	2.1
15M	4.5	0.5	0.3	3.6	3.9	2.4	2.9

Cine		* 3	r1max	S	S	ZL	JE
Size	n2	r∠max		h1	E	h1	E
2WL	1.5	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.6
3W	1.7	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.6	-	-
5W	2	0.3	0.2	1.2	1.4	-	-
7W	2.8	0.3	0.2	1.7	1.9	1.1	1.4
9W	3	0.3	0.2	3	3.3	2.2	2.6
12W	4	0.5	0.3	3.5	3.7	2.4	2.8
15W	4.5	0.5	0.3	3.5	3.7	2.4	2.8

Screw tightening torque (Nm)

Screw grade 12.9 Alloy Steel Screw	Steel	Cast Iron	Non Iron Metal	SO 3506-1 A2-70 Stainless Screw	Cast Iron
M2 x 0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	M1.6 x 0.35	0.15
M2.5/M2.6 x 0.45	1.2	0.8	0.6	M2 x 0.4	0.3
M3 x 0.5	1.8	1.3	1	M2.5/M2.6 x 0.45	0.6
M4 x 0.7	4	2.5	2	M3 x 0.5	1.1
				M4 x 0.7	2.5

The mounting surface

The mounting surface should be ground or fine milled to reach a surface roughness of Ra1.6 µm.

Geometric and positional accuracy of the mounting surface

Inaccurate mounting surfaces will affect the operational accuracy of the linear guide when the mounting surface height differential is greater than the values calculated by formulas (15), (16), and (17). The rating lifetime will also be shortened.



Reference edge

Rail: Both sides of the track rail can serve as the reference edge without any special marking. Block: Reference edge is opposite to the groove marking side.





Size		V0/VS		V1				
5120	f1	f2	f3	f1	f2	f3		
3MN	4.5	3	3	3.1	2.1	2		
5MN	4.5	3	3	3.1	2.1	2		
7MN	4.5	3	5	3.1	2.1	4		
9MN	4.5	3	7	3.1	2.1	5		
12MN	4.5	3	9	3.1	2.1	6		
15MN	4.5	3	12	3.1	2.1	8		
3ML	4.3	2.0	3	2.9	1.3	2		
5ML	4.3	2.0	3	2.9	1.3	2		
7ML	4.3	2.0	5	2.9	1.3	4		
9ML	4.3	2.0	6	2.9	1.3	4		
12ML	4.3	2.0	8	2.9	1.3	6		
15ML	4.3	2.0	11	2.9	1.3	7		

Sizo		VO/VS		V1				
5120	f1	f2	f3	f1	f2	f3		
2WL	2	1.4	2	1.6	0.9	2		
3WN	2.5	2.1	3	1.7	1.4	2		
5WN	2.5	2.1	3	1.7	1.4	2		
7WN	2.5	2.1	5	1.7	1.4	3		
9WN	2.5	2.1	7	1.7	1.4	5		
12WN	2.5	2.1	9	1.7	1.4	6		
15WN	2.5	2.1	11	1.7	1.4	8		
3WL	2	1.4	2	1.6	0.9	2		
5WL	2	1.4	3	1.6	0.9	2		
7WL	2	1.4	5	1.6	0.9	3		
9WL	2	1.4	5	1.6	0.9	3		
12WL	2	1.4	8	1.6	0.9	5		
15WL	2	1.4	10	1.6	0.9	7		

Mounted Rail & Block

	MR	U	15	Μ	N - SS	2 - V1	P - 31	OL - 15	- 15	/ J
Product type MR: Miniature Linear Guide										
Special rail U: Threaded rail Leave empty if standard										
Rail dimension (width) 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12 or 15										
Rail type M: Standard width W: Wide type										
Block type L: Long N: Standard										
Specifications SS: with end seal ZUE: end seal + bottom seal + reinforcement plate + lubrication storage										
Block quantity Quantity of runner blocks										
Preload classes VO: clearance VS: standard V1: light preload										
Accuracy classes N: Normal H: High P: Precision										
Rail length (mm)										
Starting hole pitch (mm)										
End hole pitch (mm)										
Customization code										

Lubrication Injector

	LUB - 01 - 18G
Lubricant	
Type 00 01 02 03 04 05 11	
Needle model 21G: 5M/5W 19G: 7M/7W 18G: 9M/9W 18G: 12M/12W 15G: 15M/15W	

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